

MARCH 16, 2025

Second Sunday in Lent at Mountain Brook Baptist Church

If this is your first time at MBBC, please take a moment to fill out the "For Guests" card on the opposite page and drop it in the lobby on your way out. We're thankful you have chosen to worship the Lord with us this morning.

Organ Prelude

Passacaglia in d, BuxWV 161
by Dietrich Buxtehude

Christopher Henley

Call to Worship

This Is the Day
by Warren Angell and Rose Marie Cooper

Sanctuary Choir

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Thou art my God and I will praise thee: thou art my God, and I will exalt thee. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Amen.

*Opening Sentences of Worship

Kely Hatley and Congregation

Leader: The Lord be with you,

People: and also with you.

Leader: We gather this day to worship our God, whose words and ways challenge us.

People: God invites us to lose our selfishness to find ourselves.
He calls us to be fools in the world to show forth the wisdom of Christ.

Leader: God urges us to empty ourselves to discover life's fullness.
He bids us to be obedient to his divine will so we might know true freedom.

People: We have come to worship the Lord God, seeking to have our faith challenged into growth.

All: We root our faith in his worship seeking to find nourishment for our spirits in this growing season of Lent.

*Hymn of Praise

O Praise the Gracious Power
MARION

Congregation

*Invocation and Welcome to Worshipers

Ethan McVay

Offertory Reading and Prayer

Matthew 19:21 (NIV)

Mary Splawn

²¹ Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

We Present Our Offerings to God*Congregation**

The Doxology
Old 100th (altered)

(There is no Children's Message today. Children 3K-5K may meet Mrs. Sharon in the back of the room to go to Preschool Worship as the congregation sings the Doxology. If you are a guest and would like for your preschooler to go to Preschool Worship, please meet Mrs. Sharon in the lobby to be sure your child has a check-in label for security purposes.)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**Wayne Splawn****The Reading of God's Word****Mark Rector**

Romans 4:1-5; 13-17

Affirmation of Faith*Joel Burks and Congregation**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he rose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and now sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whom he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and everlasting life. Amen.

Choral Anthem**Sanctuary Choir**

New Born Again
arr. Don Hustad

I've found free grace and dyin' love, I'm new-born again. Been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below. Free grace, free grace, free grace, sinner, free grace, free grace, free grace, I'm new-born again. So glad, so glad I'm new-born again. Been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below.

My Savior died for you and me, I'm new-born again. Been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below. Free grace, free grace, free grace, sinner, free grace, free grace, free grace, I'm new-born again. So glad, so glad I'm new-born again. Been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below.

I know my Lord has set me free, I'm new-born again. Been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below. Free grace, free grace, free grace, sinner, free grace, free grace, free grace, I'm new-born again. So glad, so glad I'm new-born again. Been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below.

Message**Wayne Splawn**

"You Must Be Born Again"

John 3:1-16

Hymn of Response*Congregation**

Ye Must Be Born Again
BORN AGAIN

The Communion of Christ With His Church

(If you have gluten allergies, a tray of gluten-free wafers has been placed on the table in the back of the room. Please take one to your seat so you may participate.)

Distribution Solo

Kely Hatley

Fill My Cup, Lord

by Richard Blanchard

Like the woman at the well I was seeking for things that could not satisfy; and then I heard my Savior speaking: "Draw from my well that never shall run dry."

Refrain: Fill my cup, Lord—I lift it up, Lord! Come and quench this thirsting of my soul; Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more—fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole.

There are millions in this world who are craving the pleasures earthly things afford; but none can match the wondrous treasure that I find in Jesus Christ, my Lord. **Refrain**

So, my brother, if the things this world gave you leave hungers that won't pass away, my blessed Lord will come and save you, if you kneel to him and humbly pray: **Refrain**

We Receive the Bread and Cup

*The Exchange of the Peace of Christ

Wayne Splawn

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet one another saying: "The peace of Christ with you." / "And also with you.")

*Closing Words

Wayne Splawn

*Choral Benediction

Sanctuary Choir

Jesus to Calvary Did Go

by Kurt Kaiser

Jesus to Calvary did go, his love the whole world to show; what he did there brought hope from despair; O how he loves you; O how he loves me; O how he loves you and me!

Organ Postlude

Christopher Henley

Flourish and Toccata on "The Royal Banners Forward Go"

by James Biery

*Congregation standing

Amplified-hearing devices are available in the back of the gym. Please see a greeter for assistance.

Are you interested in attending one of our Sunday School Classes at 10 a.m.?
Scan the QR code or visit mbbc.org/smbs to view class options and locations.



Prayer List

BIRTHS

Mary Betts Smith (parents Liz & Matt Smith, grandparents Brenda & Brooks Knapp)

DEATHS

Beverly Bright

MBBC MEMBERS

Bill Austin, Charlene & Milton Berryhill, Chris Burch, Richard Compton, Kay Davidson, Joyce Dawkins, Greg Dobbins, Sandy Eichelberger, Chad Fooshee, Anne & Grady Gibbons, Betty Jo Gwin, Emily Hardwick, Jamie Hopper, Martha Isom, Karen Johnson, Judy Long, Barbara Mandy, Eddie Mae McDanal, Billy McDonald, Caroline Mears, Martha Miklic, Phyllis Mitchell, Carolyn Nowlin, Carolyn Pashkevich, Jennie Pickett, Walter Pittman, Joyce Ratliff, Ann Sanders, Irene Stutts, Judy Taylor, Mark Tucker Jr., Rachel Walton, Doris Wayman, Laura Zaremba

HEALTH CARE CENTERS/INDEPENDENT LIVING

Peggy Abbott, Eugenia Anderson, Betty Bowen, Bob Compher, Mary Kate Dyer, Bill Johnson, Louise Martin, Sarah Moler, Glaydell Pinson, Roger Pugh, Gailya Sargent, Juanelle Strain, Helen Thrasher-Long, Harryette Turner

Weekly Information

MINISTER ON CALL: MARCH 21-23

Sharon Howard – (205) 527-7641

PROJECT 119 BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday, March 16 - Saturday, March 22

Please visit mbbc.org/project119 for this week's readings.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

John 3:16 (NIV)

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Ways to Give



IN PERSON

Place your gift in the designated spot in the Narthex.



ONLINE

To give online, visit mbbc.org/give.





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This Week

Offices are open Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16 (SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT)

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym
- 5 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

MONDAY, MARCH 17

- 12 p.m. Third Monday Book Club | Conference Room
- 6 p.m. Deacons' Executive Committee Meeting | Conference Room
- 7 p.m. Deacons' Meeting | Chapel Music Suite

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

- 6:45 a.m. Students | Junior High Bible Study | Student Ministry Area
- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Rm. 354 2A

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

- 5 p.m. Wednesday Night Family Dinner | Hudson Hall
- 6 p.m. Children's Missions Activities
- 6 p.m. Students | Senior High Bible Studies
- 6:30 p.m. Children's Music Activities
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite

THURSDAY, MARCH 20

- 9:30 a.m. ACTIVE Christian Living | Stretch and Fitness | Rm. 354 2A
- 10:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Rehearsal | Chapel Music Suite
- 11:30 a.m. Mellow Brook Singers | Lunch | Hudson Hall

SUNDAY, MARCH 23 (THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT)

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship | Gym
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship | Gym

MINISTERIAL STAFF

Dr. Wayne Splawn, Senior Minister

Dr. John Piede, Deacon Chair

Mr. Vince Blackerby, Director of Operations

Mr. Joel Burks, Minister to Students

Dr. Kely Hatley, Minister of Music and ACTIVE Christian Living

Mrs. Amy Hirsch, Associate Minister for Membership and Pastoral Care

Mrs. Sharon Howard, Minister to Children and Families

Mrs. Micaiah Kelly, Associate Minister of Music

Mr. Ethan McVay, Minister to Preteen and Junior High Students

Mr. Mark Rector, Associate Minister

Mrs. Mary Splawn, Minister of Connections

For the full list of our church staff, please see mbbc.org/staff.